

(yours of Feb. 17 just arrived.)

Bristol, March 3rd 1853

My dear Mr. May

After spending a fortnight in London, daily, hourly almost, engaged in the A.S. affairs which took me thither, my daughter & I came home the night before last. It was my intention to write by this post to Mr. Garrison, & this I intended to the Secy of the "B. & F. A.S. Soc." but on consideration, remembering how fully occupied Mr. G. is, it appeared to me that I should accomplish my purpose more effectually, more safely, & with less trouble to him, by addressing you, leaving you to call from my commⁿ. whatever it may be desirable for Mr. G. to be informed of & act upon.

And when I tell you that I am in the most friendly & confidential relations with Mr. Chamberzow (pronounced Chammer-oo-zoff, Polish, I believe) you will believe I may have reason to write to you at an important period of the A.S. cause in England. Mr. C. has fallen almost accidentally into the Secretaryship. He had taken himself off, and (one good man I trust)

form some notion of his position, his desires &
difficulties by the following facts. Mr. C. thanked
me, tho' he did not know I wrote it, for the notice
of the Jan. "Reporter" in the Advocate for Feb.
No. 5. Soon, I have reason to believe, (discreet
I do not choose to state it is a fact, because I will
not give up any authority) that one or two of the
Com. were displeased with the notice, which
was sure must be the case: - "their late Sec.
was censured," - "they were bound to indorse his
act," - "they must not allow him to bear the
blame" &c. discretion however prevailed
over outpour, & the late Sec. does bear the blame,
& I believe the Com. are right glad to make
him the scape-goat. Now, pruned in,
C. to be honest, how is he to bring round the Com.
Here is his great difficulty, & I do not predict
how far he will be able to master it: tho' he
will honestly & assiduously try to do it, I am
positive, & his great desire to communicate
with me is to obtain any aid I can give in
presenting obstacles being unnecessarily thrown
in his path. He says "give me time, & I am
sure I shall effect much" - "how can you ex-
pect a Com. which have hitherto taken the
course of the Broad St. one to turn round all
at once, & be just to the Lib. cause"? You

must watch the Reporter, Mr. G. must treat it
according to its present deserts, & not with
respect to past shortcomings. The Brecon
Breakfast at Manchester, was a regular
Broad St. affair for those commencing the
business, by bespeaking tenderness to Havelock,
& fearing the "Ladies Address" would irritate.
I. Matthews showed this up in the M. Advertiser
under my advice, but in the Advocate of the
month, you see how I have alluded to it:
a philippic from us we have embarrased
Mr. C. who means first to accustom the
eyes of the readers to the Advocate, & in time
to commend it. You will see a quotation
from it ⁱⁿ this month's Reporter; in the last
was an extract from the Lib. ^{By the Reporter} ~~How~~ you
must ^{judge} ~~watch~~ Mr. C. progress. G. I. especially
advises giving him time, - & encourage-
ment. If Mr. G. sees his way clear to
speak hopefully & favorably of the Reporter
as far as it has gone, it will help Mr. C.
materially; while scolding for past offences
will distrust his course. When a man
shows by reformation & symptoms of
penitence, it is bad policy, & well as showing
a bad spirit, to continually reproach
him with past delinquencies. I am not

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2^d) for compromising in the slightest particular
of the Society relations, we can attack it
again. My intercourse

with Mr. C. has led me to the conclusion that
I had judged erroneously of the Reporter, & the
affairs of the Soc^y being ^{always} under the well-considered
management of a few of the Com: say Jos. Sturge
& G. W. Alexander. I have reason to know
(to believe, I prefer saying) that the Com. have
troubled themselves very little about the Soc^y
that all has been left to Scoble; that he man-
aged the paper & the Com. just as he pleased
& that his sway was so overbearing, that the
Com. were glad to get rid of him, buying him
away with a present of £1200, & enjoining
addresses. Happily, he is now fairly "off the
premises" & he & L. Tappan, "paravolite," are
fraternizing together in N. York, where I
think, Mr. S. had better leave them unmolested,
unless they commit ^{some} new audacity.
Each of the 3 "Reporters" this year, I know will
be full & warm word to John Scoble; & it
must not be very agreeable to L. T. to find that
his Broad W. allies have allowed him to
lie under the charge of the "British Banner"
of being a "moral assassin" with out coming
to his rescue! Of Joseph Sturge's conversion
I have no expectation. G. T. thinks he is probably
growing tired of the Cause. He has married a

conservative wife, is more taken up with
family affairs, & becoming more conservative
And then the attacks we have been making
on the Society & the Reporter, - the Ladies
"Special Report; - the Advertiser & the
articles, the appearance of the Adocate
courageously to repair their short-comings,
must have put them in a great strait:
to not one of these attacks have they even
alluded! Two of their Com. I am afraid,
read the Reporter, & very few of the public.

They have now a way of escape from their
difficulties. Their old Secy is departed,
a new one has come; on the former they
may lay the burden of their past sins,
to the latter they may look for helping
them in a quiet, discreet manner, to
take up a new position. The fact is, there
are scarcely any of the old Com. who take
an active interest in the cause, but there
is a large amount of A. S. seed in the
country which ^{by} good management
& cultivation, may spring up luxuriantly.
Such an epoch as the present has never
occurred before, looking at the A. S. feeling of

the country produced by Uncle Tom, & the
unremedious state of the B. & A. S. S. with
such antecedents, & with such a Sec? as
they have in Chancery. Let us hope
for the best, & do the best we can to facili-
tate & encourage our old opponents in
walking in the right path for the future!

The new Sec? has probably pleased the
Com: by his interest in the F. Labour Movement.
Jon. Sturge, perhaps, hopes this will prevent
any more useful efforts: if so, he mistakes
his man. Mr. Chann: is very earnest about
it, but I think rationally so, — only as one
instrumentality, by no means as a sub-
stitute for other action. His articles on
it in this month's Reporter are undige-
stible, & his recommendation of action
on the Churches in the last article of the No.
excellent. He writes all the articles him-
self. In the next No. I expect he will
speak favorably of the Advocate; and he
means to undertake the difficult task of
revising Wm. Goodell. He lent me the
book in London, the only copy I have seen.
Prof. Weston sent us an opportune comment

on the work. Miss Pugh & Brown have
given ^{Mr. C.} much light as to W.G.'s preju-
dices against the ^{"Am."} A.S. Soc., & we told him
confidentially Gerrit Smith's injunction
to ^{Mr. G. would} ~~him~~ to do justice to W.G. which he
has not done. I shall be very curious to
see what Cham. says. I am inclined to
think we (the Advocate) had better not
notice the book!

{ Your letter of Feb^y 17 in acknowledgment
of mine of Jan^y 26, arrived to day. Thank you
for it. Your disposition of the pecuniary affair
is just such as I should wish }

Much as Mr. Garrison "dislikes the pen"
trust he will use it, not to me, but to Mr.
Chamersow, in reply to a letter which I ex-
pect he will address to Mr. G. Pray let Mr. G.
write to him encouragingly, but as con-
servatively as he pleases about all such
privileges. Mr. C. cannot have too
much private information; it is public
censure in the Liberator that it will damage
his efforts at useful reformation. He thinks
well of Mr. Sturge, but is ready to hear any
unfavorable opinion of him. For more than
an hour G.T. & I detailed to him Sturge's course
the A.S. cause, at our lodgings. Mary is going

3 Aug. Write a description of our London
soirées which brought together friends of the
cause who were likely in no other way to
meet. We regard ourselves as a "Master" (or
"mistress") of the "Ceremonies" in the A.S. Cause.
— no unimportant office. I doubt if a
Secy of the B.S.F. A.S. Soc. was ever in such
good company as Mr Cham. was at 21
Cecil Street, on the 2 last Saturday evening.

Friday 4th On reading over my letter, I find that
I have been more diffuse, & less definite than
I intended to be. My desire was, to put you in possession
of the present state of affairs in Broad St, & to induce
Mr Garrison to give Mr Cham. some support by
words of encouragement in the Liberator, while
in a private com^m. he need not share the Broad St
Comm. Had also help Mr Ch. & ^{proclaim} ~~show forth~~ an impor-
tant truth, to show if Mr G. could intimate the large
capacity for benefiting the cause, the B.S.F. A.S. Soc.
possesses, with the prestige of its past deeds, — its
machinery, & the disting^{uished} names still
attached to it: 2. how it might act upon
America, especially by inducing the religious
Bodies of England to watch the proslavery
influences of Am. Ministers here, & to under-
stand to persuade their sects in America to
act up to Christian & A.S. duty. This last is the
great work for England. Henry Cartwright I think I mean.

timed Mr. Richardson's having called on Miss Pugh
to complain of Mr. Matti's calling her uneducated
in a speech at Ph²? Mr. R. wrote to Mr. Matti
a similar complaint, declaring that the Libⁿ "con-
tained absolutely" wicked articles, — that it had it
had corrupted many minds, — that he would ever oppose
it, — in a word, fully committing himself as usually
popish rule over the A.S. friends in England. Mr.
Matti has given her a deserved castigation.
I wish the correspondence could be published! This
time for A.R. to be shown up: she has great
powers of mischief, & tho' honest, is an utter bigot.
She will oppose the Reporter as soon as she finds
it does not oppose the "infidel school of Am. Abol."

§. It is increased unpopularity is a grievous
thing. He wd. at any time probably gain as good an
denial of an A.S. lecture from the Middle Ages,
but is disliked by those who could furnish money
& influence for getting up lectures from him. And
this prejudice exists in such various quarters!
Only a day or two ago I saw a letter from Geo. Stephen
(son of the late Jas. Stephen, Willington's brother
in Law) who is aiming to get up a welcome to him
there in Liverpool, in which, alluding to some
remarks of mine to his correspondent, he says, "It
is unpopularity would render his cooperation
injurious. He hopes Leeds, Carlisle, & Durham can &
Bristol can very well, I add, "Joseph Tugwell & others
to spoil anything tho' he is thoroughly honest,"

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4th) notwithstanding his exertions, Dr. Lushington I know thinks
badly of G. T. I am inclined to believe that were G. T. a rich man, his conduct
in life wd be judged of more indulgently. Still it is sad that at such a time as
this, his services cannot be made more available to the A.S. cause.

If the christening of Crutt's child be copied from the Advocate, & preserve
it will, please to refer to one of the sponsors, (Dr. Lushington) as "the Rt. Hon:
Stephen Lushington D. C. I." instead of "Dr. L." I had Crutt to spend
a day or two with us in London, & greatly pleased he was. He is acquiring much
knowledge on a variety of subjects. I had a nice, excellently written letter from
Ellen yesterday, thanking me for advice & instructions I had given her in
reference to her confinement & the management of her baby which is
a fine child, not having had an hour's ailment. Ellen, with simplicity &
tenderness reminds me that her "poor dear Mother" cannot bear of the treachery which
God "had" given her; and says "it makes my very heart ache when I think of a system
existing in a professed christian country, which will not allow a daughter to
gladden the heart of her Mother by informing her of the birth of her first free born
baby". The Crutts are in great favour with the Lushington family. William
has talked to me about his future plans: I think them rational, but for the
present, he wisely keeps them to himself. Brown is lecturing with great success
Any A.S. Lectures are now well attended. Rev Edward Matthews we are expecting
afresh after his crushing treatment from Schell. Brown's daughters are going
on well in the Home & Colonial Schools; they are in the Govt. class, & have to work
hard. Farmer wrote some blundering account of them in a late letter to the Lib.
I hope he will not send to the Lib. the one of his (often foolish & always) in accounts
letters ~~to the Lib.~~ about the soiree & his lodgings on the 26th ult. I could not leave
him out; he really is earnest & interested in the A.S. cause. While writing
this, I am lamenting my inability to answer offensively letters from Mrs Chapman
& Emma. My writing capacity is very limited; I can only get this business letter
ask Miss Weston to apologize for me. The middle part of this, was written in bed this
morning: I was confined to the house
at returned yesterday. Our kind regards
to Mrs Henry & your daughter, Mrs Gouri
J. B. Collins

I have not time to write you
 about it, but I am sure you
 will be glad to hear of it.
 I am, dear friend,
 ever your affectionate friend,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

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and Apr. 3-11. "



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Rev. Sam. May Jr.
Leicester,
Mass. U. States

APOR

This is "Our Common Duty of Mr. Rogers, Prof. American"
 The "Love" picture shows a girl, a boy, & a mother
 Duty is before me. It is nothing, good, however, by long
 for me may to flourish in his own garden, being another
 for the sake of the duty of his own garden, to return to the
 I think he is a
 but some found it was not
 of the right sort.

in kind, far more than a week
again in March, however,

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
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